TWO CENTS.

MRS. M'KINLEY IN A SERIOUS CONDITION

May Not Be Able to Make the Return Trip to Washington.

THE TOUR ABANDONED

President Obliged to Postpone His Western Trip-Mrs. McKinley's Condition Has Been Known to the President and Party for Several Days Past, but Has Not Been Made Public-The Train Will Start for the East as Soon as She Is Able to Travel.

By Exclusive Wire from Ter Associated Press. San Francisco, May 15,-Owing to the ery serious character of Mrs. Mc-Kinley's illness, the president this morning definitely decided to abandon his contemplated northwestern tour and to return to Washington direct so soon as Mrs. McKinley shall be able to stand the strain of the journey The gravity of Mrs. McKinley's condition has been known to the members of the president's immediate party for several days, but has been concealed, the belief that she would rally, as she had so frequently done in the past when suffering from one of her periods depression, and, with a few days of absolute rest, be restored to normal condition. But her present illness has been attended with entirely new comofications, which have not yielded to treatment, and the president concluded this morning that it was time the public should be apprised of the true situation. He is also auxious that the residents of the cities and towns along the planned route of his return trip -hould receive prompt notification of the circumstances which compel his The bulletin which Secretary Cortelyou gave to the Associated Press this morning announcing the abandonment of the trip, coupled with another announcement that Mrs. McKinley's ondition last night was better in some respects, but worse in others, prepared the way for the bulletin issued later that Dr. Henry Gibbons, a celebrated physician of San Francisco, had been called in consultation with Dr. Hirschfelder and Dr. Rixey. Dr. Gibbons has a reputation here for his skill in the treatment of bowel disorders. It was the president's wish that another phyician be called in con because he did not have perfect contidence in Dr. Hirschfelder and Dr. Rivey, but because he desired that nothing science could do should be left undone. He was especially anxlous that the diagnosis of the attending physicians should agree. Ever since Mrs. McKinley arrived at the Scott residence she has been desperately ill. Her extreme weakness has been the most alarming feature of her condition. Her vitality has been at low ebb and she has spoken seldom to those about her. The president has been continually at her bedside since their arrival here Sunday night, save few hours Monday afternoon when he left her to go to San Jose and the three hours he spent yesterday in the Fortunately, Mrs. McKinley slept through his absence on both oc-

Strain Upon the President.

The strain which the president himself has undergone during the past few days has been very great. It has been a personal sacrifice for him to carry out his engagements here in order to not disappoint the people, but he has made it unselfishly and nobly. It is still his desire to carry out the prearranged programme in San Francisco to whatever extent he can. This morning he thought he would be able to be present at the unveiling of the Donahue statue and so informed the committee, but at the last moment, when his escort had already drawn up before the Scott residence, Mrs. McKinley's condition was such that he decided not to leave. All day, except for brief half-hour this morning, when he yielded to the entreaties of those about him and went out for a drive, he has remained steadfastly at her side, The members of the cabinet reluctantly consented to carry out today's programme at the University of California and at Oakland, but they put no heart into the festivities while their chief was grieving at his wife's bed-The visit to Mount Tamalpais, arranged for tomorrow, has been entirely abandoned, but if Mrs. McKinley's condition shall warrant the president will attend the reception given by the various veteran organizations in

Mrs. McKinley's iliness has cast a shadow over the entire city. People have shown their sympathy in a multitude of ways. All day long little groups have been standing across the street, opposite the Scott mansion, silently watching the drawn blinds of the room in which the first lady of the land lay. The news of the serious character of her illness evidently traveled fast, because from all over the country this afternoon telegrams have been pouring in to the president, expressing sympathy for Mrs. McKinley and asking for tidings of her condition. Just how soon Mrs. McKinley will be able to travel is a question which no one an answer now. It may be necessary for her to remain here longer than next Monday, when the party originally was

scheduled to leave. It is likely that it will be somewhat beter before she will be able to endure the long trip across the continent, but so soon as she shall be sufficiently strong the trip will be made by the most direct route, probably the Union Pacific. No stops will be made, and it believed that the trip can be made in five days.

The Last Bulletin.

San Francisco, May 15.-At 11 p. m.

At that time Mrs. McKinley was reported to be slightly better. A few noments later Dr. Rixey, who had been in constant attendance for over 21 hours, retired to get a little rest.

ROSENFELT'S PARDON.

Recommended by the Philadelphia Bench-Cases Heard Today.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Harrisburg, May 15 .- The board of pardons recommended a pardon from the bench today for David Rosenfelt, of Philadelphia, who is serving three months in Moyamensing jail for perjury. This action was taken at the request of Judge Stevenson. District Attorney Rothermel and the police authorities, from whom letters were presented by Rosenfelt's attorneys to the effect that he had been unjustly convicted.

Rosenfelt was prosecuted by members of the Lithuanian club, who were convicted and fined for keeping a disorderly place in March on informa-tion furnished by him to the police. This is probably the first time in the history of the board that a pardon has been recommended from the

A re-hearing was granted in the case of Martin Frye, of Carlisle, under senence of death for murder. An executive session of the board will be held tomorrow to consider several other cases.

THE PRESBYTERIAN **GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

Conference on Foreign Missions Held Today in the Auditorium of the Witherspoon.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Philadelphia, May 15.-In accordance with the recommendation of the Presbyterian general assembly, a conference on foreign missions was held to day in the auditorium of the Witherspoon building, under the direction of the board of foreign missions, with the chairmen of the synodical and presbyterial committees and representatives of the Women's Mission boards. The morning session was devoted to the reading of reports and discussion of topics of interest to mission work-

The conference was conducted by Rev. Thomas Marshall, of Chicago, secretary of the foreign mission board

After devotional exercises, Rev. Charles A. Dickey, moderator of the general assembly, delivered a brief address, which was followed by verbal reports from chairmen of foreign missions committees of synods and presbyteries and other representatives. Rev. Dr. Henry C. Evans, of the Presbytery of St. Louis, stated that eighty per cent, of the churches in his presbytery contributed \$7,012 during the last fiscal year to the foreign mission fund, the amount being an increase of about twenty per cent, over the previous year.

Rev. Dr. J. S. Butler, chairman of the synod committee of New Jersey reported that his synod contributed a larger per capita amount to foreign missions than any other synod, and during the past year had exceeded the New York synod, the next largest contributor, by seventeen cents per mentber. The Orange and Morris synods, he said, exceeded New York by five cents per capita.

Rev. H. A. Ketchum, D. D., of the Presbytery of Williamette, Oregon; Rev. C. B. McAfee, D. D., chairman of the synod committee of Missouri, and Rev. C. K. Powell, chairman of the synod committee of Colorado, spoke of their efforts to raise funds, and while they had met with some success, they expected within the next year to greatly increase their contributions.

Rev. John Balcom Shaw, D. D., chairman of the foreign missions committee, synod of New York, spoke on "The Duties and Work of the Synodical and Presbyterial Committees."

Dr. Shaw sald the committee met with many obstacles, due principally to inertia on the part of ministers. He explained the methods by which the committee endeavored to arouse interest in the foreign mission question, and concluded by advising all committee members to aim at the pastors who lack interest and courage. William H. Clysteen, of the Union Theological seminary, of New York, delivered an interesting address on the "Student Volunteer." He told of the movement's inception in 1885, and how it had grown from 100 students to 7,000, now working in the missionary field. A "question drawer," conducted by Rev. Dr McAfee, brought the morning session to a close, and the delegates adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

During the session Dr. A. P. Heppioneer missionary to Japan, was introduced to the conference

KNIGHTS OF GOLDEN EAGLE

Encouraging Reports Made at the Convention at Lebanon.

Special to the Scranton Tribune. Lebanon, May 15 .- When the concention of the Knights of the Golden Eagle opened this morning an executive session was ordered and the convention remained in secret session all day. During the day the reports for the year were read. They were all encouraging, and it was reported that there are 7,165 members and fifteen branches of the society in the state.

The Alientown commandery, charge of Captain D. H. Mullen. won the first prize, \$100 in gold, for being the best drilled commandery in the drill contest. The other prizes were all awarded at the ball last night, as tollows: To Harmony commandery Captain F. C. Hoffman, Harrisburg. \$50 in gold, the second best drilled commandery, same points considered as first prize: \$50 in gold was awarded to Ivanhoe commandery, Philadelphia, for the commandery coming the greatest distance with not less than twenty-two men in line, and \$50 to Harmony commandery. Harrisburg, for the commandery having the largest number of men in line. Lititz castle, of Lititz, Pa., was awarded \$75 in gold for the Wirshfulder left the Scott residence largest number of men in parade.

CLOSING DATE NOT FIXED

Resolution to Adjourn the Legislature on June 15th is Laid on the Table.

THE ESTIMATE OF CORAY

Believes the Members Are Being Used as Driven Cattle for Political Purposes-Business of the Body Liable to Continue Until July 15. Much Depends Upon the Pittsburg Ripper Decision-Bills in the Interest of Trolley Companies Are Reported Adversely.

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Harrisburg, May 15 .- A concurrent esolution directing the appropriations committee to report all bills not later than May 20, and fixing June 15 for final adjournment, was offered in the house today by Mr. Garner, of Schuylkill. A long debate followed, at the conclusion of which the resolution was laid on the table by a vote of 93 to 23. The resolution follows:

Whereas, This legislature is now running at ost of over \$2,000 per day to the taxpayers of this commonwealth; and Whereas, The last legislature was able to finish up its business and adjourn on April 20 of that

car; and Whereas, The citizens of this commonwealth ire clamoring for an early adjournment of the gislature; he if Resolved, First, That the appropriation commit

toe is hereby directed to report out all hills in their bands not later than May 20. Second, That this house hold three sessions per day on ach and every secular day of the week. Third, If the senate concur, that this legislature adcum sine die at noon on June 15. Mr. Voorhees, of Philadelphia, noved that the resolution be referred

to the appropriations committee. Mr. Garner objected, because he said meant the death of the resolution if was sent to that committee. Ho thought the legislature had been in ession long enough and that it was time to please the people by adjourn-

Mr. Bliss, of Delaware, chairman of the appropriations committee, explained that there had been referred to the committee 304 bills, and that if it was required to report on May 20, in the condition in which they are now, it would delay for one month the date of final adjournment. The committee is giving careful consid cration to each bill, and when its work is completed it will have savel the state hundreds of thousands of dollars, About onehalf the bills have been acted upon by the committee, and the only bille yet to be considered are those for the large hospitals in the eastern and western ends of the state, and those institutions which are asking for large appropriations. 'While Mr. Bliss would not agree, for himself and the committee, to fix any time for the reporting of the bills, he thought they ought to all be considered and reported in the next ten days.

As Driven Cattle.

Mr. Coray, of Luzerne, said that the way the legislature was working it would not be ready to adjourn on July 1 or July 15, if, perchance, the Supreme court does not decide the Pittsburg "ripper" case. "We are being used as driven cattle for political purposes," he added, "and the soone we adjourn and go home the better it will be for all concerned."

Mr. Hall, of Allegheny, said he favored an early adjournment, but he did not believe the resolution was in order, for the reason that it embraced matters which could only be considered by the house and matters which could only be considered by the house and senate. Mr. Voorhees withdrew his motion to refer to the appropriations committee and moved that the resolution lie on the table. After the adoption of this motion, Mr. Miller, of Bedford, called up his resolution that the pawn brokers' bill, which was reported adversely by the law and order committee, be placed on the calendar. The resolution failed.

Bills allowing trolley companies to carry freight and limiting to ten hours day's work on trolley lines were adversely reported from the city passen

ger railways committee. Bills Passed Finally.

The following bills passed finally at onight's session of the house:

Granting a pension of 812 a month to James Plummer, a private in Tyrone artillary con Granting an annuity of \$12 a month to S. R. senger, a private in an artiflety company minanded by Captain A. S. Morrow, belonging senger. o Colonel Jacob Higgin's regiment, Pennsyl

Relieving stock brokers, bill brokers and exhange brokers from the provisions of the act May 15, 1850, creating a sinking fund for the payment of the state debt

Providing that where an entire stock or any considerable portion of a stock of goods, wates, or merchandise has been sold outside of the usual course of business the achier must turnism to the purchaser a bill of sale and an itemize tatement of his creditors. Providing a method for procedure for violation

law and township opinioners and for the col lection of fines and penalties in towns of the stock of artificial gas companies.

NIGHT SESSION

OF SENATE

House Bill Increasing the Number of Mine Inspectors Is Passed Finally.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press Harrisburg, May 15.-The senate met tonight at 8 o'clock and disposed of considerable business. These bills were passed finally: Directing the county commissioners | territor by about are lengths.

of Centre county to reimburse John P. Condo, late sheriff of that county. in the amount of judgment, costs and expenses obtained against him by the estate of Emma R. Goodman, for damages arising out of the arrest of Wil-Eam R. Ettlinger by the sheriff in the discharge of his official duty.

Encouraging the establishing of county historical societies by making an appropriation of \$200 to such or

Allowing the builders of a new theater in Philadelphia to continue the onstruction of the building under the original plans of the architects. This bill has the approval of the Philadelphia building inspectors.

There was considerable debate over the house bill prohibiting the use o boracic acid, sylicylic acid, salicyliate of soda or any other injurious comfish or any article of human food and he bill was defeated by one vote. These bills, which were on the cal-

endar for either first or second readng, were re-committed to committees: House bill increasing the number of mine inspectors from eight to sixteen and providing for the election by the people residing in the anthracite coal producing counties.

House bill requiring the weighing of anthracite coal before it is screened House bill amending the act prohibiting the carrying on of the business of detectives without license, so as to re peal the proviso that the act shall not apply to agents or employes of business detectives or detective agencies. Senate bill prohibiting the sale of canned goods for human consumption unless the year of the canning is

stamped or blown upon the bottom of

the can or other receptacle. The senate insisted upon its amend ment to the house bill authorizing state banks to loan money on the security of bonds and mortgages on real estate and to invest their funds in such bonds end mortgages and in interest bearing bonds, etc., and the president pro tem appointed Senators Weller, of Bedford; Herbst, of Berks, and Henry, of Philadelphia, a committee to meet a similar committee of the house to confer on the bill.

The senate also insisted on its amendment to the house bill regulating the salaries of county officers in counties having a population of be-tween 250,000 and 500,000, and the president appointed Senators Vaughan, of Lackawanna; Drury, of Luzerne, and Cummings, of Warren, as a conference committee on the bill.

In executive session the senate confirmed the appointments sent in by the governor, among them being the nomination of the new controller of Lanaster county, The Snyder oleomargarine bill, which

from committee without amendments After the calendar had been cleared of bils on first and second reading the senate adjourned until 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Bills Introduced in Senate. These bills were introduced in the

senate tonight: By Mr. Emery, of Mercer-Providing that the question, "Shall the retail traffic in intoxicating liquors as a beyerage be prohibited?" shall be sub-mitted to the qualified electors of each and every city, ward of a city, incorporated borough, ward of a bor ough and township in the state at the election to be held in the cities, boroughs and townships on the third fuesday of February next after the passage of the act and every two years thereafter.

By Mr. Wentz. of Montgomery-Appropriating \$10,000 to the Philadelphia protectory in Montgomery county.

THEY FAVOR THE PLATT AMENDMENT

Sentiment of the hajority of the Cuban Constitutional Convention Committee

Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Havana, May Io .-- A majority of the ommittee on relations, Senores Tamayo, Villuendas and De Quesada are in favor of the committee making an immediate report advising the constitutional convention to accept the Platt amendment. Senores Gomez and Silva are strongly opposed to this action. It is said that Senor Comez in drawing up the minority report, interprets the explanations of Secretary Root as an admittance that the United States will ' change the Platt amendment if the 'ubans insist upon it.

Senor Gomez was not present at tolay's meeting of the committee. The majority claimed that he was trying o delay the bringing of the matter sefore the convention for final action. Word was sent Senor Comez today that he would be allowed twenty-four hours to draw up the minority report. At totay's meeting, the majority voted that owing to the explanations made by Secretary Root to the comnission we advise the constitutional onvention to accept the Platt amendnent as a basis for future treatles with the United States.

MRS. HAINES INDICTED.

Charged with Killing Her Step Daughter by Means of Poison. by Excludive Wire from The Associated Posss

Mount Holly, N. J., May 15,-Mis. May Haines, against whom the Burlington county grand jury yesterday ound an indictment charging her with the murder of her stepdaughter, means of poison, at Delanco, in March last, today pleaded not guilty to the indictment and was remanded to jail or trial. Mrs. Haines came into court carrying

n her arms her two-year-old child. she was attired handsomely in black slik, and appeared indifferent to the proceedings. Because of the publicity given the case, Judge Garrison has signified his intention of trying Mrs. Haines at the October term of court.

Georgetown Defeated. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press Annapolis, Md., May 15,-The naval cariety feated the Georgetown college cres in a tv tile straight away two on the Sev

MORE DISORDER AT ALBANY

Over 2,000 Soldiers Land on the Scene of Trouble to Protect Property.

A CLASH ON THE STREET

An Excited Crowd Attacks the Non-Union Men Under an Escort of Cavalry-Bricks and Stones in the Air-Many Non-Union Men Were Cut by the Flying Missiles-A Number Are Injured by Being Cut by Cavalry Sabres.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Albany, May 15 .- Militiamen arrived on all trains today, and no serious riots in connection with the street car strike ensued. Over 2,000 soldiers are on hand tonight. The only time today that trouble occurred was upon the arrival of non-union men to take the place of strikers. The streets were crowded, and every effort was made by excited crowds of men to assault the nonunion men as they were being escorted by cavalrymen through the streets to the car barns. Bricks and stones were thrown, and the militiamen frequently charged with drawn sabers on the assailants. Many of the non-union men were cut by the flying missiles, but only one had to be taken to a hospital. Of the seventy-five men who arrived, about a dozen deserted and ran from the wagon in which they were riding and disappeared in the crowd. A number of persons in the crowd along the streets were slashed with sabers, but none were reported as seriously injured. The soldiers were jeered and derided throughout the day.

The city is quiet at midnight. No attempt to run cars was made today or tonight. Both the strikers and the railhad people say there has been no further attempt liations for a settlement. Tl ing says that it will proceed to me cars tomorrow. under guard of the "dlers, and General Roe, in command of the troops, says he will assist to the best of his ms passed the house, was reported | ability with his 2,200 troops.

Marshal, the non-union motorman, who was injured vesterday by the mob. is very low and will probably die be fore morning.

MOVEMENT AGAINST WANDERING WILLIES

Sixty Mayors and Burgesses Discuss the Best Methods of Ridding the State of the Tramp Nuisance.

he Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Philadelphia, May 15 .- In a rousing conference of about sixty of the mayors and burgesses, or their represenatives, of the state of Pennsylvania, which was held here this morning, the death knell of the migrations of the tramp in the commonwealth of Pennylvania was sounded. The movement started by the Philadelphia Inquirer some time ago reached a head when representatives from all over the state met at the Continental hotel to discuss the best means of ridding the tate of these pests. The conference was an enthusiastic one, and the result of the deliberations will mean the elimination of the evil.

Two sessions were held today and many plans were suggested for wiping the nuisance from the state. At morning session Mayor Ashbridge was presented to the conference, and in a happy speech welcomed the representatives. A recess then taken for a few minutes, when the mayor met the men personally. In his brief address, Mr. Ashbridge urged that concerted action be taken and this thought seemed to be the prevailing sentiment of the conference. morning was given over to the disussion of the best means of dealing with the tramp question and in the expression of personal views, meeting was enthusiastic and when adjournment was taken for dinner each and every one present was satisfled that the conference could not but

be productive of good. The real work of the conference was ecomplished in the afternoon session, when it was decided to appoint a committee of ten, which was instructed to confer with the authorities in other states where the evil has been eliminated and determine the best means adopt for use in this state. committee was instructed to meet at an early date and take action for imnediate relief. It was also decided to urge the enforcement of the laws which now exist in reference to vagrancy. A resolution thanking the Inquirer for its part in urging the movement was passed unanimously.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

&v Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Suamekin, May 15, -U. U. John, a parameter interior, and one of the wealthlest residents of Sorthumberland county, died at his hame in this city, today, from paraly-is

May 15. Trightness 1t. Loose die this evening from gaugeene, agos 85 years. Mr. Good was register of wills of Louige county from 1842 to 1845, superintendent of rounly chools from 1835 to 1857, and was maximistic f Allentown under President Lincoln and Pres ient Johnson, and chief of police from 1878 a New York, May 15. - Win, P. Sherlock, edito

of the Unionist, a labor formul, who was revent a convicted of criminal libel mon an employa newspaper and sentenced to the pentier lary for three months, is dead of pneumonal, his home in Brooklyn. Sherlock was par and after serving twenty days of his sente

Mrs. Gage Improving.

By Exclusive Wire is in The Associated Press. Washington, May 15.- Mrs. Gage rested comfortably today and tomight her condit the whole showed a slight improvement.

THE NEWS THIS MORNING.

Weather Indications Today

FAIR; SOUTHERLY WINDS.

General-Serious Illness of Mrs. McKinley Disorder at Albany. Work of the State Lawmakers. Fatal Mine Explosion in a West Virginia

General-Curbondale Departmen

- Local—Cases Before the Lackawaina Courts, Convention of True Provides.
- 4 Editorial
- 5 Local-Lackawanna Strikers Did Not Report
- The Educational Contest Under Way Lacal-West Stranton and Salamban
- General-Northeastern Pennsylvania. Pinancial and Commercial
- 8 Local-Convention of the Catholic Total Ale stinence Union.

COMMITTEE OF MINERS EXCITED

Senator Heidelbaugh, of Lancaster. Has Two Bills Recommitted. Threats of a Strike.

By Exclusive Wire from The Ameriated Press. Harrisburg, May 15 .- The legislative committee representing the anthracite miners, which is here in the interest of several measures before the legislature affecting the nimers, was thrown into a flurry tonight by the action of Senator Heidelbaugh, of Lancaster county, chairman of the senate mining committee, in having two of the miners' bill re-committed to his commit tee. Last week the miners' commit tee by a threat to have the under ground workers march on Harrisburg succeeded in having three of the bills reported from the committee. The two bills reported back to the committee tonight provided for the increasing of the number of mine inspectors from eight to sixteen and that they be elect ed by the people of the anthracite counties, and also for the weighing of coal before it was screened. Mr. Heidelbaugh's reason for re-committing the bills was for the purpose of making but he would slight amendments." not state further what the amendments were. The mining committee met immediately after the adjournment, but took no action, and another meeting will be held tomorrow morning. It was subsquently learned that one proposed amendment provided that the present mine inspectors be not dis turbed until their terms expire, an other that the terms of the inspectors e increased from three to five years and that another amendment provides that only a certain number be elected each year, so that a number shall hold

That there may be another great strike in the anthracite coal regions is not outside the range of possibility in the near future. In the senate mining committee there is another bill which provides that the miners be paid a rate per ton instead of a rate per car. This bill, along with others, was approved by the miners in convention at Hazleton, and T. D. Nicholls, of Scranion, president of District No. 1, of the 'nited Mine Workers of America, says the miners will insist upon their

enactment. President Nicholls said to aif Asso lated Press representative tonight: "If the legislature does not pass this bill or the coal operators do not make some concessions along the lines laid down in the bill, it is my opinion that strike will be inaugurated in the oal regions which will be greater in numbers than the struggle of last fall. My district is a unit on the proposition hat the miners be paid by the ton instead of by the car. District No. Is better organized for another strike than it was last year, and No. 9 always abides by the will of the majority."

KNIGHTS OF MALTA **ELECT OFFICERS**

The Members in Session at Lancaster Also Select Williamsport as the Next Meeting Place.

by Exchains Wite from The Associated Press Laneaster, May 15 .- At wday's sesdon of the state convocation of the Knights of Multa, at Columbia, the committee on election reported in election of the following by the recent

Grand communiter, E. S. Forwald, burg: grand prelate, Rev. James G. Boughte Prackville: grand treasurer, Class. W. Bossie Sunbury: grand senior warden, Samuel nett, Delta: grand sentinel, tion V Brooks

vote of communderies:

The following officers were elected by the Grand commandery; Grand generalissimo, James L. Jackson, atosport; grand captain general, Proberick Ar old, Lameaster: grand junior warden. Scranton: grand warden, Howard, York: grand trustee, Goorge W. rider. York: Philadelphia: someme representativ lur, Conper, Suntany; Jonathan Leibersherge Hazleton: H. Ross Pubuar, Williamsport: dat Boughter, Frackville: John J. Belsic, Wilker tree: Theodore Pachalic, Reading: William Thomas, Stamokin; Jacob II Smyson, York, Williamsport was selected as the meeting place. The per capita cas fixed at 36 cents, annually, same

us last year. Steamship Arrivals.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. New York: May 15. - Arthred: Oceanic, Liver Hohenzollern, Naples, Chearest: Kalserii aria Pierceia, Bremen and Sentiampton; Lorraine, Havre: Georgian, Liverpool, Louis, Southampoon; Majestic, Liverpoo Scattistark, Antwerp, Cherbourg-Sailed: er Wilhelm Der Grosse (troto Bremen and South St. Paul, New York.

Strike Against a Foreman. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press.

Williamsport, May 15.—One bundled boiler makers and helpers, employed at the F. Kecker company botter works, are in strike. The prin-ipal grievance is the strong opposition to Forecan Croster. The men claim that he is objec-ionable and ask no mis discharge. This after-non the company reported to the grievance

EXPLOSION IN GEORGES MINE

Six Miners Lose Their Lives, and Five Others Are Fatally Injured.

GAS IGNITED BY TORCH

The Shaft Was Considered One of the Safest in the Country-Explosion Caused by Reckless Disregard of Orders-The Fire Does but Little Damage to the Mine.

By Laclesiae Wire from The Associated Press. Fairmount, W. Va., May 16 .- Six niners lost their lives, five were fatally injured and three seriously burned in an explosion at the shaft of the Georges Creek Coal and Iron company at Farmington, seven miles west of this city on the main line of the Baltimore and Ohio railroad this morning, The dead are:

MAYNARD BEATY, of Mannington

JOE MCHOLS, of Londconing, Ma. J. H. EVERSON, of Everson, W. J. DAN ALPERREL, of Farmington. JOE DOMINICK, Italian TONY PHILLIPPI, Italian. The injured are:

Charles Curpenter, fatally

Carl Hunter, fatally,

Herschel Everson, tatally, dos. Blaney, fatally, Italian, fatally. Jufferson Fast, builty burned.

Thos. Bainbridge, burned and bruised, Italian, burned and bruised. The Georges Creek company has headquarters in the Equitable building, Baltimore, and extensive mining interest in Maryland. This is the first mine the company has opened in this state and fully \$1,000,000 has been invested and the mine is one of the best equipped in the Fairmount coal region Colonel R. L. Somerville, an experienced and capable mine superintendent, has charge of the works. The mine was only recently put in operation and about 125 men were employed, only forty of this number underground Owing to a shortage in the car supply the men have only been making about half time for several days, but yesterday quite a number of cars were left at the nine and the ma agement decided to break all records with today's output. So, bright and early this morning the miners, who reside in ozy cottages on the Bill-top above the mine, made their way to the main opening and the car carried them 250 feet into the earth. Fifteen of them were assigned to a portion of the mine that has been worked for some time and the remainder were put to work

One of the men in the rooms, it is alleged, had smuggled a torch into the mines, as it gives so much better light than the safety lamps prescribed by the company. There is an immense fan which sends five thousand feet of fresh air into the mines at every revolution. and as the shaft was considered one of the safest in the region the miner did not heed the frequent warnings of a fellow employe, who warned him of the risk he was taking. At 9.15 the miner fired a shot and the smoke, which was very dense, caught fire from the torch and spread to either the gas or dust and the explosion resulted. Fortunate ly, the mine did not catch fire to any extent. The explosion vented itself through the air-shaft and almost demolished the building on the surface in which the fan is located. The men it the headings did not know there had been an explosion until notified. The air was soon turned in, and in a short time the headings were cleared of foul gases and the work of rescue of the unfortunates commenced. It was 5 o'clock before the work was concluded. This is the most serious explosion that ever courred in the Fairmount coal region

on headings outte a distance away

BIG RAILROAD SHOPS.

New York Central Will Locate at Oak Grove.

By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Williamsport, Fa., May 15,-Thes.Jersy Shore Herald this morning issued special edition in which it declared that it had indisputable information that the proposed New York Central and Hudson River railroad car shops will be located at Oak Grove, Pine

Creek township, Clinton county. The shops will be the largest on the New York Central system and the freight yards will also be on a mammoth scale, so as to accommodate increased traffic. The big yards will have a capacity of handling 8,000 cars daily, and the whole plant will be onemensurate in its propertions.

CORPORATIONS CHARTERED.

By Excinitive Wire from The Associated Press Harrisburg, May 15c-Charless were issued to day by the mate department as follows: Fort Pitt Forge Co., Pittsburg, capital \$10,000; The College Hill Water Co., College Hill, Beaver county, capital \$1,000; The Thomas Mills & Brot, incorporated, Philadelphia, capital \$200. stor; The Thompson Specialty Co., fewinsville. capital \$1,000; The Nett Coal and Coke Co German township. Payette county, capital 619.

Co., of Wilkes Barre, Pa., was incorporated here today: rapital, \$15,000

Dover, Del., May 15,-The Emple Chemical

Killed on a Grade Crossing. By Exclusive Wire from The Associated Press. Harrisburg, May 15 .- Robert Kutz, of this city was struck by an express train today on the Pennsylvania railroad, at a grade crossing near is home, and instantly billed

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Weshington, May 15. Forecast for unia Fair Thursday and Friday; light